

REMARKS

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated December 5, 2005, the informalities of the Preliminary Amendment filed November 23, 2005, have been corrected. It is respectfully submitted that no new matter has been added.

Should the Examiner believe anything further is desirable in order to place this application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

In the event this paper is not considered to be timely filed, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. The Commissioner is authorized to charge payment for any additional fees which may be required with respect to this paper or credit any overpayment to Counsel's Deposit Account 01-2300, making reference to Attorney Docket No. 025720-00019.

Respectfully submitted,



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